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From: Easterling, Deborah
Sent: Friday, August 28, 2015 11:00 AM
To: 'Jeff Karmilovich'
Subject: RE: ND-2015-20-E - Duke Energy Carolinas: Foothills Transmission and Substation Project- 45-Mile Transmission Line Between Asheville, NC, Power Plant and New Substation Near Campobello, SC

Dear Mr. Karmilovich,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina. Your email will become a part of ND-2015-20-E - Duke Energy Carolinas: Foothills Transmission and Substation Project- 45-Mile Transmission Line Between Asheville, NC, Power Plant and New Substation Near Campobello, SC, and will be posted on our website under this docket.

Please let me know if you should require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Deborah Easterling
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From: Jeff Karmilovich ;
Sent: Friday, August 28, 2015 10:33 AM
To: Easterling, Deborah
Subject: ND-2015-20-E - Duke Energy Carolinas: Foothills Transmission and Substation Project- 45-Mile Transmission Line Between Asheville, NC, Power Plant and New Substation Near Campobello, SC

I am writing to note my disapproval of Duke Energy's proposed project, ND-2015-20-E. I live in Greenville, SC and spend much time biking, hiking and visiting friends who live in the South Carolina and North Carolina areas potentially impacted by Duke Energy's proposal. I do not think the proposal is in the best interests of the State or Citizens of South Carolina. I have the following questions:

1. Has Duke Energy shown conclusively that further generation and transmission capacity is needed in the service area presently or in the future?
2. If so, do the proposed substation and power line actually meet those needs?
3. Are there other, less environmentally destructive, ways to meet those needs?
4. Is the substation in Campobello necessary to support a new gas turbine generating facility in North Carolina?
5. Is Duke Energy using the shutdown of the coal generating facility and replacement with gas turbines as a backdoor method of extending its reach and connectivity in NC/SC - or simply to provide baseline power to the "grid" from the new plant or Ocone?
6. Should savings to Duke Energy's shareholders of the potential lower cost of building such a system through conserved land be a factor that dictates location, rather than protecting current property holders, conserved land and viewscapes?
7. Is this the type of project for which the power of eminent domain should be used at all to force people to give up their land for the project?

8. What is the expected net cost to South Carolina, in terms of property value damage and resulting tax revenue loss?
9. Is there any financial gain to South Carolina in this proposal?
10. If so, is it greater or less than the cost to South Carolina?

I'd like the Public Service Commission to direct these questions to Duke Energy, and consider the answers. I am certain that the proposal is a bad one for the State of South Carolina, and that the answers to the above questions will lead to the disapproval of the project as currently proposed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jeff Karmilovich

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